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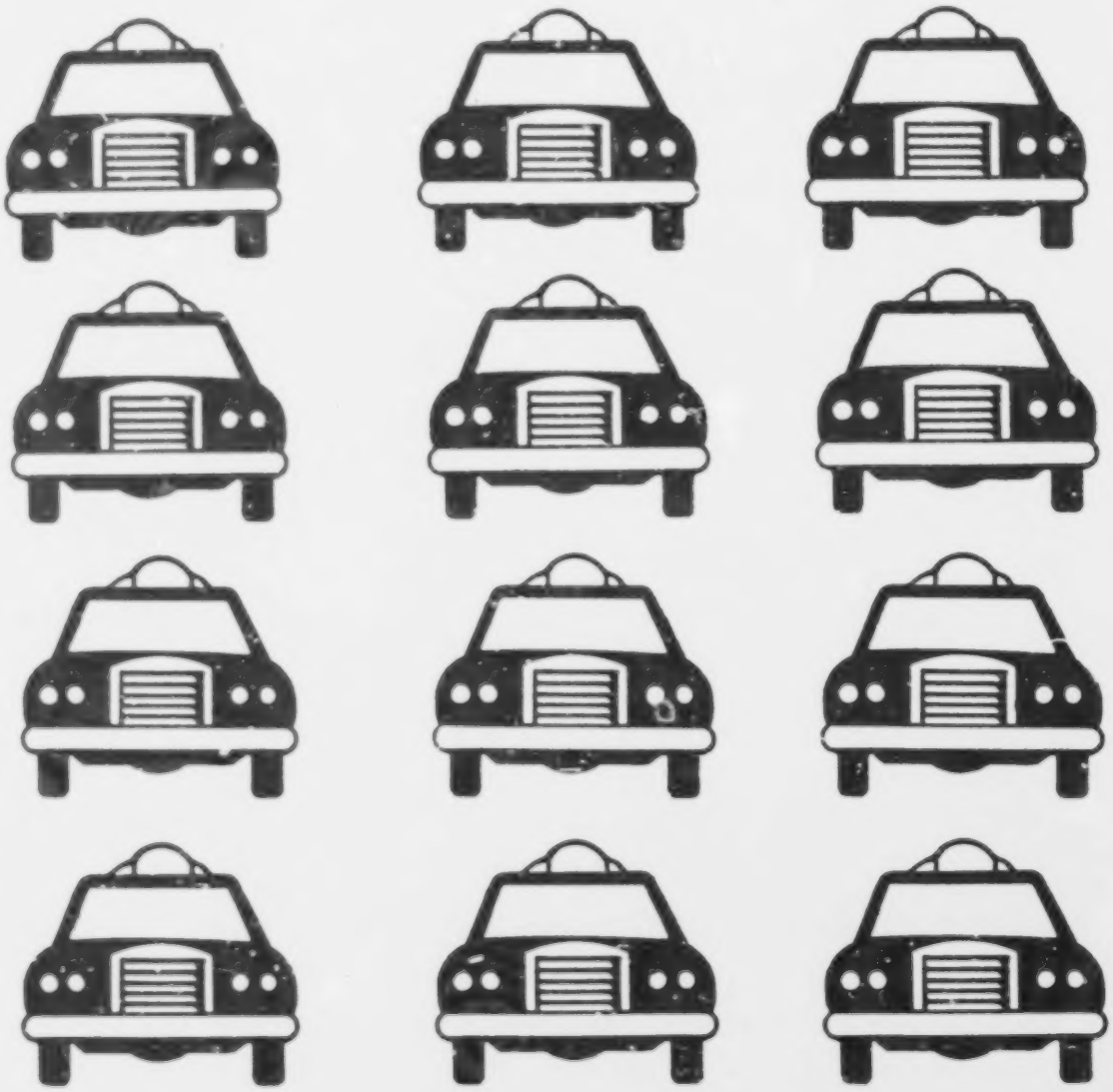

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INTRODUCTION

This bibliography was prepared as supporting documentation for Research Grant #UMTA-CA-11-0017, "Shared Ride Taxi as Community Public Transportation," which was conducted in 1978-1979 by the Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Irvine.

An earlier version of this bibliography appeared as a chapter in the Proceedings of the Conference on Taxis as Transit issued by the Institute in 1978.[1] Favorable comments from regional transportation planners led to the expansion and preparation of the bibliography as a separate publication designed for more widespread dissemination.

This bibliography is the most comprehensive listing of published literature on taxicab transportation currently available. Citations were obtained from a variety of sources including printed indexes (Public Affairs Information Service, HRIS Abstracts, Current Literature in Traffic and Transportation, the Catalog of the Northwestern University Transportation Center Library, and the Catalog of the Library of the Institute of Transportation Studies, Berkeley); computer-based retrieval systems including NTIS, Engineering Index (COMPENDEX), Dissertation Abstracts, Social Science Citation Index, Science Citation Index, and SSIE Current Research in Progress; and other sources. The literature surveyed spans the period from the early 1960's to the present.

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Annotations are included only when required for clarity. For abstracts of approximately 80 of the items cited in this bibliography, the reader is referred to the U.S. Department of Transportation's bibliography entitled The Taxicab in Transportation.[2]

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